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University, 1st ladies honor pianist

BY ELISSA LEIBOWITZ
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The American-Russian Cultural Cooperation Foundation honored world-renown pianist Van Cliburn at GW Wednesday as a "treasure that peoples of all nations can share."

GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg welcomed Cliburn and the first ladies of the United States and Russian Federation in a Marvin Center reception for the foundation's annual award. The honor recognizes Americans who have made significant contributions to the relationship between Russians and Americans.

"Van Cliburn is beloved in Russia, the United States and around the world," U.S. first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton told both American and Russian guests in the Marvin Center ballroom. "He has been an ambassador of good will during difficult times."

Cliburn, a native Texan, won the first Peter Ilich Tchaikovsky International Piano Competition in Moscow in 1958. The then-23 year old captured the world's, and more particularly, Russia's love. His version of the 19th-century Russian composer's "Piano Concerto No. 1" was the first classical



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World famous pianist Van Cliburn (far right) stands prepared to receive an award Wednesday for his diplomacy through music. The Marvin Center ceremony also included (l. to r.) Russia Federation first lady Naina Yeltsin, her interpreter, award presenter Dwayne O. Andreas and U.S. first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton.

recording to go platinum.

"He is a legend not only in your country, but also in Russia," Russian first lady Naina Yeltsin said through an interpreter. "He used his great talent and effort to bring our two peoples together."

Cliburn, 59, said it amazes him that the people of two countries with such different governments have similarly reacted to him.

Since 1958, he has become the "best-known American musician in Russia," said Dwayne O. Andreas, a member of the foundation's board of directors and award presenter.

The reception kicked off the foundation's "A Celebration of Van Cliburn," which featured performances by violinist Igor Oistrakh, Metropolitan Opera leading soprano Roberta Peters and two competitors from the ninth Van Cliburn International Piano Competition. The Red Star Red Army Chorus and Dance Ensemble performed as well.

Among the guests at the celebration were Alexander Koul and Andrei Svirodov, two new recruits on the Colonials basketball team and natives of Belarus, Russia.

Haitian policy is 'racist,' TransAfrica leader says

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

TransAfrica Director Randall Robinson, who made headlines last year when he went on a hunger strike to protest the Clinton administration's policy toward Haiti, said United States action toward Third World countries needs to reflect the fact that the Cold War is over.

Robinson also accused the United States of having a racist foreign policy and said he felt the refugee policy toward Haiti reflected this.

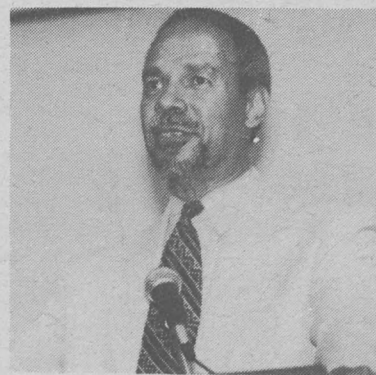
"We are at an important cross-

roads," Robinson told an audience of about 90 people in the Marvin Center Monday. He said Americans need to become more informed about the history of situations like the one in Haiti.

"Granada didn't just happen. Iraq didn't just happen," he said. "These problems come from somewhere."

Robinson said he felt the Cold War was to blame for many of the problems African and other Third World nations now face. He called social problems in nations including Somalia, Liberia and Zaire "the fruit of the Cold War."

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Randall Robinson

BZA still opposes new fitness center

Some accuse GW of breaking Campus Plan

BY JUSTIN BERGMAN
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

GW may finally be close to breaking ground for the Health and Wellness Center after more than a year of planning, negotiations and hearings.

The D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment held its final hearing on the center Wednesday, allowing GW and its opponents – mainly the Advisory Neighborhood Commission and St. Mary's Episcopal Church – to testify on submissions filed after the first hearing in June. The board will make its final decision on proposed facility at its monthly public meeting Nov. 2.

GW's delegation at the hearing, which included representatives of the University, lawyers, architects and lighting specialists, presented changes they had made in the original design of the building and evidence of their belief that the new center would not have a negative impact on the neighborhood.

Adam Gross, an architect with the firm Interstate & Gross working on the project, said during testimony that they had made significant changes. These included lowering the wall facing St. Mary's Church and moving the penthouse back 35 feet from the northern wall to allow enough natural light to reach the church.

He added that the developers planned to limit deliveries to one underground entrance on G Street and increase parking space, so as not to disturb the church and its members.

"The church is a strong building, and I feel that it can definitely hold its own in an urban environment," Gross said.

However, the groups opposing the new Health and Wellness Center argued that the size and density of the building would still be out of proportion with the church, other buildings on 23rd Street and the "historic" neighborhood.

Ellen McCarthy, an expert in planning issues testifying on behalf of

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Judge upholds ruling protecting Miriam's

BY ELISSA LEIBOWITZ
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A U.S. District Court judge decided earlier this month that the city's government cannot regulate a church's activities once it has received proper zoning permits.

Specifically, city officials cannot interfere with Miriam's Kitchen, a homeless feeding program run from the Western Presbyterian Church, 2401 Virginia Ave. N.W., judge Stanley Sporkin ruled Sept. 9. The kitchen had been mired in debate over District zoning regulations before Sporkin's decision.

"To regulate religious conduct through zoning laws, as done in this case, is a substantial burden on the free exercise of religion," Sporkin wrote in his decision.

The injunction has captured national attention, with religious leaders from across the country using this ruling as a basis for

their similar cases, said the Rev. John Wimberly, pastor of the Western Presbyterian Church.

Wimberly said a half dozen members of the clergy, one from as far as San Francisco, have called with similar stories.

"This is a decision that is very broadly written, and because it is a District Court, has precedence standing around the country," Wimberly said. "Judge Sporkin's decision will have far-reaching impact."

The permanent injunction Sporkin issued culminates more than a year of debate over whether Miriam's Kitchen could operate from the church without proper zoning permission.

District officials said the church needed two permits – one for the actual church and another for the kitchen. The church did not have a

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Former president unable to make SA comeback

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

A former Student Association president and current graduate student lost his bid for a graduate student seat on the SA Senate at Tuesday night's Senate meeting.

Michael Musante, who resigned as president in October of 1992 after admitting that he made a racial slur against another candidate for SA president, lost a tie for the spot by one vote.

Musante, a graduate student in the School of Business and Public Management, applied for the Senate seat that was not filled in elections last spring.

He was eliminated before a final runoff against candidates Erin Corsair and Stacy Young, who each received six votes. SA Executive Vice President Scott Slifka then broke a tie to elect Corsair to the seat.

"There were things that I started as a Columbian College senator and as president that I would like to have seen finished," Musante said.

He explained that he had

promised when he resigned from the presidency to take steps to increase diversity awareness among students.

"I wanted to show other people what I had learned, that what I said was wrong," Musante said.

SA President Al Park said he thought Musante showed "strength of character" in applying for the Senate seat.

"It took a lot of courage for Michael to do what he did," Park said. "It would have been easy for him to have left the University."

Park said that although he in no way condoned Musante's past action, he felt that some good came from the incident.

"It got people talking on campus about diversity issues," Park explained.

Undergraduate Sen. Scott Mory (CCGSAS) said many of the people who attended Tuesday's meeting seemed impressed by Musante.

"He has grown a great deal as a person," Mory said.

He added that he was relieved to see that Musante's candidacy did not inspire "mud-slinging" at the meeting.

Phone directory expected to be ready at end of October

GW's Student Directory should be available at the end of October, Student Association President Al Park said, an improvement over last year's January release.

Originally the directory was slated for early October, but it's "a big project that takes a little while," Park said. The SA also has to wait until the majority of room changes have been made, so the Directory can be "as accurate as possible."

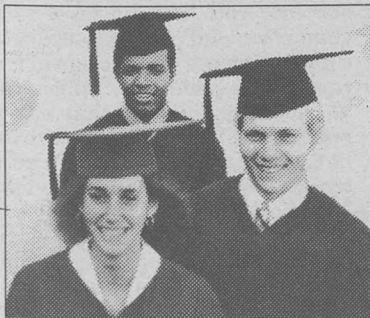
About \$2,000 was saved on the directory this year. "We made it camera ready by ourselves," instead of sending only raw data to the publisher, Park said. He also said the SA is using a printer instead of a publisher to reduce cost.

Phone numbers will automatically be published unless students call the SA office. In that case, the students' names will remain unlisted, but their numbers will still be published under their roommates' name.

Park said the SA hopes to publish an advertisement in The GW Hatchet with more information on unlisted numbers.

-Anne Miller

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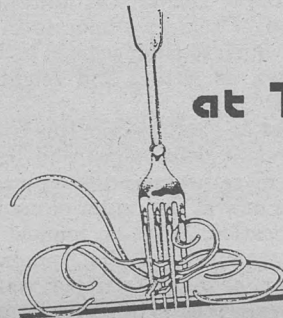
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One small step

GW took another small step in the direction of breaking ground for the new Health and Wellness Center Wednesday. Despite outcries by a stubborn Advisory Neighborhood Commission, plans continue to build a facility that should have started two years ago.

This time, the ANC is complaining that the massive, hulking monolith of the Health and Wellness Center would overshadow a historical church. But the ANC forgets that such construction happens all the time. After all, Foggy Bottom is in downtown Washington. Big buildings do surround our sleepy little community, and progress happens.

Similar complaints were surely voiced when the World Bank erected its skyscrapers around the former Western Presbyterian Church. Residents surely complained when the FBI constructed its headquarters near the historic Ford's Theater.

But again, this is a city. Buildings are inevitably built, torn down and built again. In the end, Ford's Theater retained its historic character. So did the Western Presbyterian Church. And so will the church next to the Health and Wellness Center.

At least the ANC's argument is more realistic than their earlier stance that students should not pollute the Foggy Bottom district with their presence. The University is following the Campus Plan that allows for expansion of athletic and recreational facilities.

Discouraged residents must realize that no matter how much they complain, GW will build the Health and Wellness Center. And after it does, residents will see it is not the albatross they envision it to be.

Handcuffed

Now that U.S. troops are in Haiti, everybody is asking when we will pull them out. President Clinton has repeatedly assured Congress and the American people that our troops will be home as soon as possible. But for some members of Congress, that pledge isn't good enough.

Congress is considering an action that would virtually handcuff the president, defeat his initiatives and ultimately waste U.S. dollars. Members are debating putting a March 1, 1995 deadline for the troop withdrawal, as well as frequent Congressional updates on the situation in Haiti. Rep. Robert Torricelli (D-N.J.), the congressman who introduced the bill, was only trying to get a definite timetable for a withdrawal hammered down. Instead, he has introduced a serious challenge to the president's constitutional powers, and is perhaps jeopardizing the entire U.S. operation.

The United States is not at war with Haiti. The president is acting under his emergency powers to send in the troops to restore order. He need not ask Congress for any permission to do so, not unless the Haitian situation were to become some sort of permanent occupation. Grenada and Panama were never sanctioned by Congress, because the presidents exercised their presidential powers. To force Clinton to report on his strategies for this short-term occupation would be to strip the president of his right to act as commander in chief.

The United States has spent a tremendous amount of money on this operation, an estimated \$500 million. If a mandatory withdrawal date is set, Haitian insurgents may lie low until March 1, then spring up when the troops are forced to go home. This is hardly an unfeasible scenario, and if this were to happen, the United States might have spent \$500 million in vain.

The president doesn't need to be handcuffed into this precarious situation. For once, Congress must trust that Clinton has no desire to keep Americans in Haiti any longer than absolutely necessary. Congress must let the president carry out his plan. To allow him any less would be unconstitutional and perhaps even dangerous.

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GW: I love this place!

The place that has etched itself most deeply into my heart is set in an urban location. It strikes a complex balance between such human polarities as access and withdrawal, restlessness and peace, definition and permeability. And only a few years ago it was fashionable to doubt that it even truly existed.

I refer, of course, to the campus of The George Washington University.

What an obvious thing for the school's president to say! What an unobvious thing to find myself saying! For when I arrived at GW in 1988, little did I expect that its campus — my own new campus — would eventually serve to catalyze all the thoughts and hints and intuitions I had ever picked up with regard to the urban sense of place, from my childhood in Brooklyn to my later reading of scholars like Lewis Mumford and Jane Jacobs.

No sooner was I seated in the presidential chair than a chorus of voices made itself heard whose urgency has never abated. This school, I was told, needs a vision. And where its president is concerned, that translates into a "vision statement" — a single unifying summary of purpose and intent.

Meanwhile, I found my desk and my head crowded with the opposite: a horde, a universe of distinctly non-unitary details, many of them concerned with or touching on the physical details of GW, an otherwise sometimes slightly abstract entity. This classroom needed renovation. That athletic facility was quite outmoded. And how much longer could we tolerate the limitations of our library, which so often seemed to discourage the activity known as sitting and reading, not to mention research?

Almost as a refuge from this Niagara of detail, with its attendant dollar-signs and budgetary stresses, I allowed myself some private pleasure in the campus that was now at the center of my life. What an astonishing location! What an implied philosophy of function. Right there, at the boundaries of what maps declared to be the GW campus, were the executive and legislative offices of the American government. The Washington Monument. Renowned museums that served as magnets for millions of tourists and thousands of students. And the busy streets of downtown. Balanced off against those human beehives was the pleasure, along the streets that made up our campus, of what one author was soon to call Second Nature — the acts of human creation that orchestrate trees and shrubs and grass so that we "read" them, often unconsciously, as we rush through our wordier human commitments.

But how many people there were, especially in Washington itself, who would have added quotation marks to campus. "Where are you exactly?" I heard myself being asked again and again. "I can't quite make out where George Washington leaves off and Washington begins!"

So while my colleagues and I sought to deal with the dozen events of a typical work day and with con-

stituencies ranging from resident students to visiting ambassadors, it was with genuine if occasional relief that I turned my attention toward another project altogether — toward establishing an enhanced sense of physical focus and identity. The touches themselves were relatively minor: a clock here, a brick walkway there, a bust of George, some strategically placed benches, new plantings of various kinds and explicit banners on our lampposts to declare that, yes, this was indeed The George Washington University. And as each of these little touches found its way into being, voices could be heard to say that it was nothing but an entertainment, disconnected from genuine academic purpose.

Yes, precisely: an entertainment. Can we really understand the global history of cities, from Jericho to Jakarta and from Troy to Toronto, without taking account of their intrinsic playfulness — the scintillating visual attractions of the urban "scene?" And can we begin to understand the fascination sometimes exercised by a major university that has been plunked down in one of this country's rural locations until we identify it as a kind of city? As if Oz had traveled all the way to Kansas?

So the challenge here at GW was to create and/or reinforce the sense of a "community" within a city — a vibrant place so replete with visions, reflecting its dozens of internal and external constituencies, and a restful place so well-provided with contemplative nooks and crannies, that no "vision statement" could ever do justice to it. One of our ways of accomplishing that goal has been, as you might expect, the careful use of "natural" plantings to both connect and separate the parts of our vivacious yet thoughtful diversity. And what that "green strategy" amounts to is one more merely superficial paradox in an age when humankind must work hard to preserve both its planet and its sanity.

For me personally, though, the drama of the GW campus, the dialectical back — and — forth between its nature as a quiet haven for thought and research and its nature as a resource open to the world, is a subject for love as well as an object of thought. I walk from one building to another and am entertained by the liveliest of street scenes — the one that features, as primary actors, our own students and faculty members. Then, sooner or later, I withdraw to my office. Enough of pure pleasure in what I'm tempted to call The George Washington Diversity! It's time to face all the memos, print-outs, letters and phone calls that help us keep this wonderful show going.

And when the right moment comes, I write a piece like the one you are reading, whose point is that show and seriousness, joyful play and serious academic accomplishment, are complements rather than contrasts. I just love this place. I just love its ever-burgeoning visions. Don't you?

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Waiters don't get any respect

The glasses need refilling on table 47; table 42 has run out of bread; table 44 asked for the check five minutes ago — or was it 43? The old fart on 50 still hasn't got his soup; the steak for table 53 arrived rare — it was meant to be medium.

These are the thoughts running through the mind of a wait person at any moment during a rush period in a restaurant. While everybody is relaxing after a hectic week, the stress levels are peaking on the restaurant floor. On top of taking care of his tables, the wait person has to worry about an overbearing manager, his obnoxious chef and balancing a bank of several hundred dollars. Yet, as most people will tell you, several years of waiting tables in a restaurant doesn't amount to much on a resume. Why? Because people in hiring positions simply don't realize what waiting tables really involves. They assume that waiting tables is easy work for easy money; it has no relation to other

more "mainstream" type of employment. I would argue that the skills learned on the restaurant floor are not only useful in other work situations, they are critical to virtually all working environments.

The first skill a waiter learns is how to work and perform in a highly social setting. A year after leaving the restaurant business we

Vincent Gauthier

have gradually discovered that one of the most important skills anyone can learn is how to get along with co-workers, customers and staff. The waiter not only learns how to interact with all the personalities on the staff, but he also learns how to handle the diners — his customers — in the restaurant.

As a wait person, a daunting array of different types and person-

alities will require your service. To succeed, you have to be a social chameleon and often a comedian. A couple of lovers might come in for a romantic evening, in which case you must understand that they do not wish to be bothered and should be interfered with as little as possible. On the other hand, two other lovers might come in because its their only night out that week and they want to be entertained. Since they are often too lazy to entertain each other, it is left to you and your large bag of recyclable jokes to do the job. You smile often, interrupt frequently, ensure that the couple enjoys its "dining experience," and hence, each other. Most wait persons realize that every group will be different, with different demands and expectations. The successful wait person adjusts to each one. All this requires patience, understanding, intuition, an attention to detail and a willingness to adopt a chameleon attitude — each group requiring a different (See WAITERS, p. 5)

OPINION

ABC is barking up the wrong tree

The article in The GW Hatchet about the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board's bust of 17 local bars and clubs ("17 local bars and clubs feel the pinch," Sept. 19, front page) pointed out the numerous problems regarding alcohol on campus at GW. Everyone, from the student body and the ABC to the administration and the merchant, has to look at our current situation and re-evaluate what the best solution is to curb underage drinking.

Robert Chernak, vice president for student and academic support services, applauds the latest crackdown on local pubs and bars. He said, "D.C. is finally taking a city wide effort to enforce the 21-year-old drinking age." True, the District has every right to enforce its laws and every right to punish those who break the law. However, does Chernak and those who support the "get-tough-on-lawbreaking-merchants" approach really think this latest round of busts will change the attitude toward drinking on campus? If anything, cracking down on local pubs and student hangouts will probably cause more problems than it solves.

With the usual alcohol sources in the neighborhood now carding, underage GW students determined to have a drink will now go to different parts of the city to consume alcohol. This will probably increase the likelihood of drunk-driving accidents in the District. (After all,

nobody drives to a bar that's just off campus.) The crackdown will also almost certainly increase the value of fake IDs. I don't have to remind readers of the embarrassing discovery last year that a GW student was involved in manufacturing fake IDs and selling them for a tremendous profit. He and other fake ID suppliers will thank the ABC for increasing both the demand and their profits. Attempts to smuggle alcohol into

Jim Geraghty

residence halls will almost certainly become more common. Cracking down on alcohol consumption could even lead to increased student experimentation with illegal drugs.

However, as faulty and misguided as the ABC and the administration's policy is, the students of this campus certainly deserve a large share of the blame for our current situation. One of the biggest problems with this issue is that the words "drinking on campus" have become synonymous with drunkenness. If the establishments listed in the article have served students to the point of extreme drunkenness, undoubtedly they should be

punished. But I think it's pretty clear that drinking wouldn't be a problem on this campus if people didn't make drinking a problem. What I mean by this is that those who drink solely to get drunk, go wild, end up totally sloshed and then need help getting home are ruining it for those who simply want a drink to go with their meal. Alcohol, in and of itself, is not dangerous. Abuse of alcohol is.

It's unlikely that the ABC would feel the need to have these investigations and crackdowns if students on campus didn't make getting completely wasted a Friday night tradition. If the party crowd at these local bars would "know when to say when" and cut themselves off when they've reached their limit, the ABC would have little motivation for these busts and the University wouldn't have anything to complain about.

I would like to add that in no way, shape or form am I endorsing underage drinking. However, I do realize that some students will drink no matter what the law says or what the ABC does. I firmly believe that changing people's attitudes about drinking will be much more effective and constructive than all the ABC busts in the world. Cheers.

Jim Geraghty, a sophomore, is majoring in political communications.

Barry's triumphant return

On Sept. 13, ex-Mayor Marion Barry won the Democratic primaries for the District of Columbia mayoral race, defeating the incumbent Mayor Sharon Pratt Kelly and Councilmember John Ray.

In the polls, up until the actual election, John Ray was leading, closely followed by Marion Barry. This made the primary seem like a tight race. However, if you read the fine print, the polls are determined by the so called "likely voters." This translates to mostly the middle class black community and voters who classify themselves as white. In light of this, Marion Barry's victory speaks loudly to the potential power of black youth, ages 18 to 30, especially when you realize that he won with only 1 percent of the white vote. The only two districts he didn't win were the two that are predominantly white.

Marion Barry's victory was a victory for District voters in general as it tells the media and the federal government that they can't choose our leaders. Despite the millions of dollars spent to shame and incarcerate the ex- and future mayor of Washington, District residents never forgot all that Barry had done for his people, especially young men and women. Despite the continuous playback of the infamous videotape, for what seemed like a billion times, true D.C. residents were still able to see and understand the public man, in private crisis. As I watched the videotape with white students on campus and watched the expressions of glee and amusement on their faces, I was reminded of the 19th and early 20th century public lynching of black men in the South, for one unfounded accusation or the other. I was reminded of the photographed faces of the white spectators, much like these more recent white faces enjoying a different type of high-tech lynching.

As the powers of white supremacy work so diligently to bring down black men in positions of authority and influence, it takes the unyielding force black empowerment to raise them back to power. This is counter-racism. Unlike both his opponents, who had a campaign, Barry had a cause. For black D.C. residents, a vote for Marion Barry was a vote to empower the oppressed and neglected and speed the downfall of white supremacy.

Most white people everywhere and a lot of black people from elsewhere laughed at the return of the ex-mayor. They laughed even harder at the District residents who wanted him back. But with Marion Barry's new embrace of Afrocentrism and black nationalism, I predict that his district supporters shall have the last laugh.

As Barry's fall from office was a blow to the pride of District natives, his return will be an uplift to the hopeful, redeeming spirit of Washington, "Chocolate City, U.S.A."

In the words of Marion Barry, in response to white District residents who so desperately did not want him back, "Get over it."

Kalechi Egwim is a graduate of the Columbian College and Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks for your support

As a longtime volunteer and officer of the board of directors of the Whitman-Walker Clinic, I would like to express my gratitude to the GW students, faculty and staff who participated in the 1994 AIDSWalk/Washington. GW was a visible sponsor of the walk, giving out 5,000 condoms with GW safer sex materials. The terrific GW Pep Band rallied the walkers onward and with the highly moving, enormous red ribbon that welcomed the walkers to our campus.

Many people deserve a great deal of thanks for their efforts: the University and medical center administration who enthusiastically supported our sponsorship of the walk, all of you who were marshals along the route and who staffed the first aid stops and volunteered in other ways with AIDSWalk and, most importantly, all of you who walked and helped raise money for people living with HIV/AIDS in the Washington metropolitan area. Thank you!

Forty thousand people walked with Tipper Gore to raise \$1.6 million for Whitman-Walker and other community AIDS organizations. It was a spectacular day, and by every measure this year's AIDSWalk was a smashing success. The AIDSWalk

has become the largest charitable fund-raiser in Washington, and GW was not only an official sponsor of the event, but also a truly wonderful host for the walk and for our community.

As I walked through our campus I overheard many people saying what a great job GW did. There must have been thousands of pictures taken of the giant red ribbon on our campus. People were thrilled to get the safer sex educational materials put out by the GW Medical Center marketing and public relations department.

GW definitely put its best foot forward for this important community event. I could not have been more proud of my alma mater and my University.

- Dr. Jeffrey S. Akman, assistant dean for student educational policies and associate professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences

Housing help

I wish to respond to the "Out in the Streets" editorial (The GW Hatchet, Sept. 19, p. 4), regarding the availability of University housing assistance. Although the Office of Student Financial Assistance no longer designates a portion of the award package as a "room grant" for students living on campus, the awarding guidelines that deter-

mine the maximum amount of institutional grant assistance offered to our on-campus student populations have not changed.

The room grant award was established to reflect the specific cost differences between living on and off campus. Students who move off-campus typically state the lower cost as the compelling reason. Surveys of GW students and of other colleges in our "market basket" pool which are in large urban areas indicate that the typical savings are \$1,200 a year. This is the dollar difference between an on-campus and an off-campus budget.

Student X's 1993-94 University grant with room grant:

University grant	= \$8,800
+ Room grant	= \$1,210
Total University grant aid	= \$10,010

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- Vicki J. Baker, director, Student Financial Assistance

Waiters work hard for their money

(from p. 4)

ferent approach. Most employers will admit that this is exactly what they look for in prospective employees.

The second skill a wait person learns is how to do what I call multi-tasking. Multi-tasking is, in part, the art of prioritizing tasks in an organized way so that every customer in a section gets what he or she wants in a reasonable amount of time. The wait person must constantly decide what has to be done in what order. A mistake can create complete chaos. A single error in the sequence of events will create a chain reaction culminating with the red-faced manager taking you aside to tell you what a screwball you are. Well, multi-tasking has proved to be useful in my current job of providing secretarial support for eight college professors. My performance depends on how well I can service each professor's request in a reasonable amount of time.

Multi-tasking is also important because it teaches one how to do several tasks or things at once. One round through a section may result in 10 different requests for 10 different items. The wait person must remember all this while doing the rest of his work. I am constantly reminded of the usefulness of this skill when I am simultaneously answering the phone, typing and listening to a professor telling me that he needs something faxed urgently. It is difficult to think of

jobs where you don't need to be a successful multi-tasker.

Finally, the wait person has to learn the important skill of public presentations. Explaining the intricacies of the menu to a couple sitting at a small corner table is one thing, but yelling the menu to a table of drunk good old boys who care little for the virtues of an undercooked yellowfin tuna ("I ain't eatin' no raw fish!") can be truly challenging. Wait people meet this challenge on a daily basis, and yet few people seem to recognize that these skills are crucial to such things as interviewing for a job and knowing how to present oneself. My total lack of shyness in group discussions was not a quality I was born with; it is largely because of my 10 years in the restaurant business.

It is strange because I know that if I had spent five years filing documents in some law office, it would probably look better on my resume. Yet, I know that what I learned slaving away in restaurants is very useful, and I wish that a prospective employer, or the lady at the Career Center would say, "Wow, you have a lot of very useful experience, that should really help you with your application for CEO of General Motors!"

Vincent Gauthier is a graduate student in the Elliott School of International Affairs.

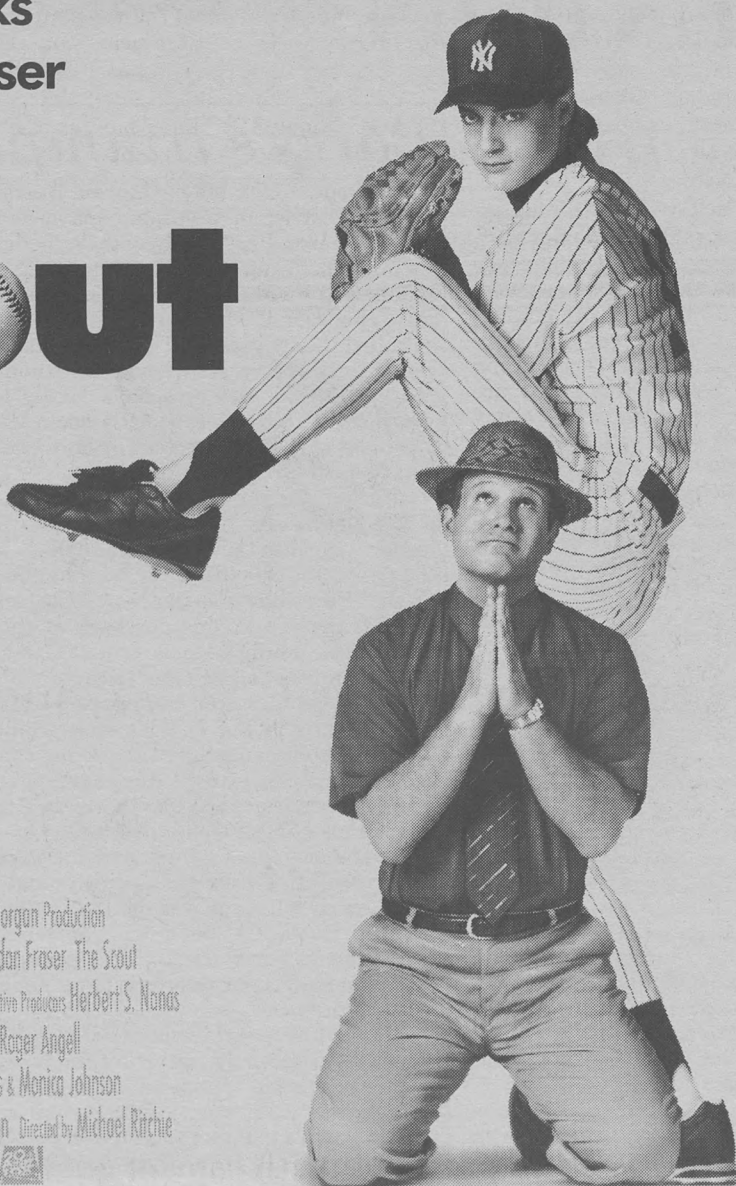
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University committed to dry rush for pledges

By LEE RUMBARGER
HATCHET REPORTER

As an attempt to stamp out a prevailing image of fraternity rush as a time of beer-guzzling and wild hazing, fraternities nationwide have implemented a dry rush mandate. As this year's rushees hope to become a member of one of GW's 10 recognized fraternities, policing of the dry policy falls mainly to the fraternities themselves and to the campus community.

"We're trying to get people to report violations, or those who keep silent are as guilty as someone who did the deed," Director of Greek Affairs Marcie Tucker said.

While the University enforces 21 as the legal drinking age, keeping rush dry is a task for the fraternities to incorporate into their rush activities, Tucker said.

"At first, it was hard to adjust to the policy — but this was a necessary change to kill the Animal House image," Interfraternity Council President Trex Satkowski said. "There's a lot more to us than that. Many houses have had innovative ideas like taking pledges on trips to King's Dominion or football and baseball games."

Competition and the individual autonomy of the fraternities are important to the Greek-letter organizations on campus, and rush should be a time for people to meet the

brothers and find out what they are all about, Tucker said.

"Our activities were concerned with understanding the fraternity, not how much beer you can drink. Different fraternities have different standards and expectations for their pledges," freshman pledge Neil Smith said.

Reported violations of the dry rush policy go to the Inter-fraternity Council, which may dish out penalties varying on the seriousness of the offense and on the

"Our activities were concerned with understanding the fraternity, not how much beer you can drink."

- Neil Smith

fraternity's history of violations. A fraternity could be ordered to stop rush, or, in extreme cases, the fraternity chapter could lose its charter.

"I think dry rush hurts us because freshmen in the beginning of school think that this is college and time to get drunk and party. Since our functions are dry, it inhibits some people from rushing in the first place," said Craig Fields, head of Greek affairs in the Student Association and member of Alpha Epsilon Pi.

So far this fall, no violations of dry rush have been reported to judicial affairs. But some say drinking still goes on.

"One of the first times I met the brothers, they brought me to a party which was by no means dry. Most of the time I was with the brothers, we drank," said one freshman pledge, who asked not to be named.

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Hazing homicide: 16 students charged

(CPS) — At many college fraternities, it's called Hell Week— a week of "character-building activities" for new members that often include annoying drudge work and sleep-deprived jags where older members have free license to harangue pledges in sometimes humorous, sometimes humiliating ways.

The beating death of Kappa Alpha Psi pledge Michael Davis in February at Southeast Missouri State University has sorority and fraternity leaders nationwide talking more about finding ways to curb hazing.

Davis died after enduring punches to the head and the body during an all-night initiation. After collapsing outside, Davis was brought to an off-campus apartment. He was left alone for more than 12 hours and never regained consciousness.

When the coroner examined the body of the junior journalism major, he found a small notebook stuffed into the front of his underwear, the only thing Davis was wearing when he died.

"Hazing is the physical conditioning of the mind" was written on the first page.

Davis' death was the 23rd fatality related to hazing in 10 years. And although schools and national Greek-letter organizations can lay out serious penalties for hazing practices, they are unable to punish what they are not allowed to see.

"Regulating fraternities is difficult because most frats aren't going to let anyone in to witness what they do to their pledges," said John Elliot, a member of Kappa Sigma at Oklahoma State University. "They really have to trust us on our word. But if something's out of line, then someone should come for-

ward. There has to be some accountability."

Sixteen men with ties to Davis' fraternity were charged with the hazing of Davis and up to four other pledges.

Seven of the 16 men were charged with involuntary manslaughter, while four pled guilty earlier this month to involuntary manslaughter in exchange for testifying against others, says Cape Girardeau County Attorney Morley Swingle.

The Fraternity Executives Association, an organization of national fraternity heads, defines hazing as "any action taken or situation created, intentionally, whether on or off fraternity premises, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule."

Such activities and situations include: paddling; creation of excessive fatigue; physical and psychological shocks; quests, treasure hunts, scavenger hunts, road trips or other activities carried on outside the house; wearing conspicuous clothing in public; engaging in "public stunts and buffoonery"; morally degrading or humiliating games and activities; late work sessions that interfere with scholastic activities; and any other activities "which are not consistent with fraternal law, ritual or policy or the regulations and policies of the educational institution."

Even Davis, who died of severe trauma to the head, knew of the dangers involved with pledging his fraternity. When he came home for a weekend with a cut on his nose from pledging activities, his mother was concerned.

"When I asked him why he wanted to pledge this fraternity, he said 'Ma, when you're a pledge, you have to take it,'" Edith Davis said.



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David McElveen, ORL's associate director of business affairs, said the remaining banners will be taken

down the week after family weekend.

McElveen said ORL will hang the banners again "at another time when there is a focus on residence halls."

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—Harold Bollaci



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Roommates deal with conflicts

By SHANNON JOYCE
HATCHET REPORTER

The idea of living in close quarters with up to five total strangers strikes fear into most freshmen. But roommate conflicts have been minimal this year, said Thurston Hall Director Pat Savolski.

"We've had a pretty smooth start to the school year," Savolski said. Fifth-floor resident assistant Claire Newberry agreed that problems have been minimal.

Even though students have not experienced an overwhelming amount of problems does not mean that the halls are perfect. Many students said they have difficulty with at least one roommate.

While few students agreed to go on record, those who decided to talk experienced the most problems with sleeping.

As Greg Gotterman's "Guide to College Survival" states, "messing with your roommate's sleep is the last - the very last - thing you want to do."

Several freshmen also commented on money issues. The most common money problem occurs when one roommate buys something, such as a newspaper subscription, without seeing if the others would like to contribute to the cost, and then asked to be reimbursed.

Gotterman's guide offers several helpful hints for making life a little more tolerable. Suggestions such as prioritizing study hours, voicing concerns early, defining property rights, keeping the room clean and expecting the tensions that come with a residential living situation all help make the year easier. He also reminds students that "roommates don't have to be best friends."

When all else fails, though, there is hope. Paul Barkett, assistant director of the Office of Residential Life, advised students to talk to their resident assistants.

Part of their job is to help mediate roommate problems. As Savolski pointed out, "some of these issues can be resolved" without too much difficulty. If they cannot help, they can often refer them to people who can.

If problems continue and the students want a room change, the RAs can help them though that procedure as well.

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Abortion controversy hits GW

Some work to halt procedure's legality

Others try to protect right to choose

BY ERICA FRANKEL
HATCHET REPORTER

A secular, non-partisan organization, Right to Life members do not like the pro-life movement to be classified as liberal or conservative, said Elise Ehrhard, GW Right to Life president. She said that the group exists to offer students a different perspective.

"Our mission is to protect and defend all human life, regardless of race, creed or gender, from the moment of conception and throughout life," Ehrhard said. "We don't want to preach, we just want to educate people and each other."

"We are here to break down the myths and stereotypes. We will reach out with compassion and not judgment," Ehrhard said.

"When you start to think about facts and the scientific reality, people tend to lean toward the pro-life side," she added.

There are 55 members in the group.

Ehrhard said a large portion of Right to Life members are actively involved with the Crisis Pregnancy Center and intern at Feminists for Life of America where they lobby and do legislative work.

Besides taking part in the National March for Life on Jan. 2, the association will sponsor speakers including Rep. Tim Hutchinson (R-Ark.).

In addition to education and volunteer programs, Ehrhard said the organization hopes to sponsor a debate on controversial issues including the RU-486 pill and the possible link between abortion and breast cancer.

"The media doesn't want to deal with it (the possible link between abortions and breast cancer) because they have a certain image they want to put forth and don't want to deal with anything with that type of a spin so they neglect it," Ehrhard said.

Future plans include a tentative conference with Georgetown University and American University, where they will come together to form Right to Life's District of Columbia College Association.

BY MONIQUE HARDING
HATCHET REPORTER

For students who wish to work for abortion rights, there is a group on campus that facilitates this desire.

The GW Students for Choice work with the Washington Area Clinic Defense Task Force to train people who guard abortion clinics against protesters. The group is organized to "educate students about reproductive rights," said co-president Jeremy Brett.

GW Students for Choice has between 30 and 35 members, most of whom are women.

"We're not incredibly radical. We don't go out and insult ... that would be using (pro-lifers') tactics," Brett said.

However, the pro-life and pro-choice organizations, as antagonistic as they seem, plan to host a social event jointly.

"The goal is to educate people. They are aware of the issues but we want to keep them aware," Brett said.

Brett is from Florida, where two doctors who perform abortions were shot in Pensacola, one last summer and another this year.

"I'm fighting for the right for women to have control of their bodies," Vice President Andrea Miles said. "I am accomplishing that when I defend the clinics."

Miles is a sophomore and has been a member of the group for two years.

"I joined because I was always concerned. I felt I could make a difference being in the nation's capital," Miles said.

Miles added that she was happy that the current laws are favorable toward her cause.

"I have never been approached by pro-lifers, just by people who wish to debate with me," Miles said.

Co-chairperson Mary Campbell said the group will become more active on campus with the help of Wimmin's Issues Now and Pugwash, a group that discusses ethical implications of science and technology.

New e-mail system designed to handle growing popularity

The Computer Information Resource Center added a new on-line computer system for students on campus.

The new system, GWIS2, grants students access to electronic mail, Internet services, University information and a wide variety of other services, said Michael Ellis, CIRC senior programmer analyst.

The new system was created to alleviate the demand created by all the users on the original GWIS system.

"The system would get overloaded if 50 people were using e-mail. It would take up to five min-

utes for someone to log in sometimes," Ellis explained. The new system is based on a stronger microcomputer which lets more people access the system.

"The software is free here. All you need to do is bring in a disk," Ellis said.

The response this year has been overwhelming, he added.

"It took a year and a half to get 4,600 people to sign up on GWIS, but 4,800 people already have signed up this year. Last Friday alone, more than 4,500 log-ins occurred," Ellis said.

- Neil Verma

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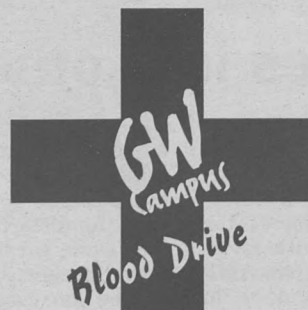
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Frosh: The Real 'Real World'

BY DAVID LARIMER
ARTS EDITOR

First of all, *Frosh: Nine Months in a Freshman Dorm* will only be in town through this weekend at the Biograph. The documentary, produced and directed by Stanford University alums Dan Geller and Dayna Goldfine, will have freshmen comparing notes and everyone else reminiscing.

As far as comparing notes goes, there are some differences between the experiences here at GW and at Stanford (go figure). For example, students in *Frosh* — a film that documents the 1990-91 school year of nine residents of a freshman residence hall at Stanford — adopt the un-Thurston-like practice of setting up kegs in the hallway. They also adopt the Stanford-like method of using conversion methods to figure out how much vodka should go in the punch.

And any comparisons that might be made between *Frosh* and MTV's "The Real World" should be thrown away as well. Where "The Real World" is often terribly aware of itself, giving each "cast member" chances to give sermons directly to the camera, *Frosh* steps back and lets nature take its course. Where "The Real World" seeks serious conflict in relationship, *Frosh*



Frosh, playing through this weekend at the Biograph: the kids are alright.

records a daily routine.

To the filmmakers' credit, there is no pressure to see anything really dramatic happen. It's typical freshman behavior — eye-opening discussions on race, sexuality and politics; academic adjustment; partying and the utter self-containment of a freshman hall.

But Geller and Goldfine wisely realize that it is precisely this type of interaction, what passes for a routine freshman year, that epitomizes its uniqueness.

Within this routine comes something remarkable, something that all college students would notice if they had such perspective on their own lives: these people visibly grow up before the viewers' eyes.

While the directors take a fly-on-the-wall approach, the stars of *Frosh* emerge. Wonderfully straight-up Monique manages to make it to Stanford despite a crack-addicted mother and a dead-beat dad, and once there she struggles with motivation and alien-

ation.

Cheng finds himself annoyed with Stanford's multiculturalist agenda while he is a visibly proud first-generation Chinese American.

But Sam is at the center of *Frosh*, changing more than anyone else in the film. You see him try to attract girls through pity, and then spending Christmas break playing Nintendo and Nerf basketball with his kid brothers. In one of the film's funnier moments, he gleefully declares, "For the first time in my life I'm a player."

He's brutally honest with himself, admitting wholeheartedly his misconceptions and that he pledges a fraternity because he cares "entirely too much about what other people think about me." Sam is Every(fresh)man.

While the production feels vaguely like a PBS special and the music sounds like that really bad danceable Muzak used in vo-tech commercials, it's really no bother. *Frosh* is a terrific slice of life. It'll make you miss Thurston.

To Grandma's Big Apple Circus we go!

BY DIANA ROSENBERG
AND DAVID BOSNAK
HATCHET STAFF WRITERS

Ladies and gentleman, children of all ages, welcome to a celebration of your youth and a journey through the imagination.

If you've never been to the circus or haven't been since you had training wheels, now is the time to go and see The Big Apple Circus's "Grandma Meets Mummenschanz" tour.

The Big Apple Circus proves that the circus isn't just for little kids and it isn't just clowns, cotton candy, tigers, and high flying acts. It's much more.

Founded in 1977 by Paul Binder, The Big Apple Circus doesn't have a ring leader. Rather, it has a common theme that connects each act. Dreams and the imagination seem to be the thread in this circus and its needle is Grandma.

Grandma, played by Barry Lubin, has been part of The Big Apple Circus since 1982 and has been the center of attention in three productions. Grandma is part of almost every act and even part of the audience when she watches other acts from the stands.

But Grandma has a much more important role in this circus, for it's Grandma that meets Mummenschanz in a world of discovery.

Mummenschanz, Swiss for "masquerade," began in 1969 with Bernie Schürch and Andres Brossard. These two mimes combined dialogue with masks and then dropped the words to overcome the language barrier when they began to travel.

They joined The Big Apple this year, dazzling audiences with spectacular mime and puppetry that just make you smile. The characters of Mummenschanz range from big hands to "Slinky" worms to things that just don't have a name.

As Paul Binder put it, "Discovering our community with working creatures of this circus is in contrast to Mummenschanz' creating themselves as creatures. But ... we all inhabit this small planet together. Surely we can learn to interact on it, explore and share it with pleasure."

Mummenschanz added to the production what most circuses lack nowadays — creativity. But don't go thinking that this is the highlight of the show. The Big Apple Circus is jam packed and fun filled with the most creative and energetic talents around.

The Big Apple Circus is playing at Reston Town Center through Oct. 10.

Hodgkin exhibit appeals to all, even yogurt heads

BY KAREN ANCILLAI
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Under ordinary circumstances, I would probably put myself in the category of those who think modern art should be used to line cat litter boxes.

At a museum once, I saw a piece that consisted mostly of sponge-painted Lincoln Logs arranged artistically on canvas and held in place with neon Elmer's Glue-All. To my right, an art critic raved about the piece, calling it a "boldly controversial protest against the authoritarian regimes of the modern world."

I could not help but wonder what she would see in the nine-room Lego house my little sister once built. On the other hand though, I could not help but to wonder if I was a yogurt head, if I was missing something in modern art.

However, at the new Howard Hodgkin exhibit at GW's Dimock Gallery, that something is not missing anymore. Here is palatable modern art that anyone can take a bite out of and chew on for awhile. Plus, the originality and creativity in the works on display make each bite a tasty morsel.

April's Motel Room moves into other bands' sounds

BY VICTOR SHIH
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

If you saw the guys from April's Motel Room on the street, you would probably think they are typical suburban slackers. That, in fact, is what they are.

Hailing from the Southern California suburb of Simi Valley, AMR is beginning to play in the L.A. scene. The group's first LP, *Black 14* (Immortal/Epic), reveals a young band that tries to be innovative and search for its own style and sound at the same time.

AMR definitely has sophisticated song-writing skill, but some

riffs are cliché. Its music derives from an eclectic mix of alternative, hard rock and the Grateful Dead. For example, "Get Down Jerry" sounds like a combination of the Grateful Dead's music with Eddie Vedder's vocals. In addition, AMR occasionally lapses into Alice in Chains/Stone Temple Pilots mode, as in "Nickell Bag."

AMR tries hard to be innovative in its sound, but some of the techniques it tries end up making the songs disjointed. A technique AMR experiments with is taking a mellow acoustic riff and switching it in and out of distortion as in "Dharma." While this method increases

the energy of the song at times, it makes the listener wonder what's going on. The acoustic parts of the songs sound generally groovy, but once the distortion is switched on, that same riff becomes some hard rock dinosaur sound.

The musicians in AMR are all talented individuals. Guitarist Sam Nickell plays clean melodic riffs during the softer parts of the album. When the distortion is switched on, however, he plays as if it's still the '80s.

Although vocalist Tom Kelly tries to sing with a grunge, his sharp voice only allows him a slightly tarnished tenor. Bassist

Mike Hoolihan stays in the background most of the time, but when you hear him, it's usually an energetic and melodic riff.

The most innovative members of AMR are drummer Aaron Zidenburg and percussionist John Baffa. These two cooperate to create a rich layer of percussion throughout many of the songs.

AMR is a band that still hasn't found its own sound. It seems to try out different sounds to see which one works. If April's Motel Room can find its own style, it has great potential for success because it certainly is a bunch of talented musicians.

Showcase D.C. ARTS GUIDE

Chinese Dance

Oct. 1, 8 p.m. Wen Hui, an avant-garde dancer/choreographer from Beijing, will perform "100 Verbs," a continuous 45-minute video and stage dance performance, at the Studio J Dance Theatre, 2131 G St. N.W. Wen is a dancer and resident choreographer of the Beijing Oriental Song and Dance Company of China whose work has been performed throughout East Asia as well as France and Belgium. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information call 994-6577 or 994-8072.

The Piano at Lisner

Oct. 6, 7 p.m. Lisner Auditorium will present a free screening of the Academy Award-winning film *The Piano* as a preview to pianist/composer Michael Nyman's appearance at Lisner on Oct. 12. Following the screening there will be a discussion of the film and its score — composed by Nyman — with film critic Eddie Cockrell. The screening is free and open to the public. Tickets for the Nyman concert are \$22, \$12 with GW ID and can be bought at Lisner (994-6800), the Marvin Center box office and all TicketMaster locations.

-David Larimer

SPOTLIGHT

GW's Dobin is a *Glamour* girlBY MEGAN STACK
HATCHET REPORTER

If you pick up a copy of *Glamour* this October, one of the faces is familiar to this campus. GW senior Danielle Dobin is featured as one of *Glamour's* "Top 10 College Women in America."

"Actually, this is kind of funny," Danielle admitted. "I got the application the day after it was due, and it was really complicated with a huge essay. So I wasn't going to even do it. But some of my professors were really urging me, so I called the woman from *Glamour*, and she said that I had four days to get it in. So I did the whole thing in three days and Federal Expressed it."

In this case, late was definitely better than never. "I think that I won the award because I've worked in a lot of different places," Dobin said, explaining her success.

"Also, I feel that I am a lot more dedicated to politics than most people, particularly women my age. I really care about our country, the future of women, and the Democratic Party, in that order," said Dobin, who has worked in many aspects of the Democratic Party.

Dobin is assuredly not a typical college senior. Over the years, she has worked for various campaigns, the media and Congress.

"I feel that it's important to be well-rounded, and I strive to stay on a consistent vein of doing differ-

ent things," Dobin said.

In 1992, Dobin interned at the Miami district office of Democratic Sen. Bob Graham. While at the office she worked specifically with human rights and immigration cases presented by constituents.

Dobin then went on to work as student coordinator for the congressional campaign of Gwen Margolis.

After four months in that position, she interned at Squier-Knapp-Ochs, a democratic media consulting firm. At the firm Dobin was an assistant researcher. Dobin explained that she is the only GW student to ever work for the firm, which usually selects its interns exclusively from Ivy League schools.

In 1993, Dobin interned at the White House, first at the Office of News Analysis and later at the Office of Legislative Affairs Senate.

"I got to do some amazing things there," Dobin said. "I was there on the South Lawn for the peace signing between Israel and the PLO. I was in the House when NAFTA was voted on, and afterwards in the speaker's office, helping fax the results to the president."

Dobin is currently serving as an intern for Sen. John Breaux (D-La.). After showing her schedule, Dobin indicated that in her almost non-existent spare time she volunteers for the Washington Area Clinic Defense Task Force.

"What we do at WACDTF is go to abortion clinics at four in the morning, join hands, and physically defend (patients) from pro-life extremists," she explained. "Lots of times, (demonstrators) go there in the middle of the night and glue themselves to the doors or do other bizarre things so that these clinics are unable to be open the next day. Sometimes there are confrontations and it can get pretty violent."

Another of Dobin's priorities is her sorority, Kappa Kappa Gamma. She serves on its standards board and is also the membership chair.

"I was attracted to the *Glamour* competition because I consider myself professional and dedicated to a number of causes, including furthering the rights of women. At the same time I remain conscious of my image," Dobin said. "I have a good social life and a good professional life. Those two don't affect each other."

Dobin said that from an early age she has shown an interest in feminism and politics.

"I started reading *The New York Times* when I was 12," she said. "When I got older, I began to search for role models, and I started to notice that I wasn't reading much about or by women. That seemed remarkable. In my world, women can do everything. It struck me as odd that they weren't."

Next year Dobin plans to continue her political career by

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Danielle Dobin (right) accepts her \$1,000 award check from *Glamour* Editor in Chief Ruth Whitney. Dobin donated \$250 to Emily's List, a women's political action organization.

attending law school at either New York University or Northwestern University.

Dobin said her personal credo comes from author Agnes Meyer.

"In 1952, she wrote a letter to Eleanor Roosevelt that said, 'It

must have been a relief for the women of the country to realize that one could be a woman, and a lady, and yet be thoroughly political.' That's my ideal - I don't see those things as mutually exclusive."

Not found in any cookie

Student searches for future, past in palm

BY MELISSA ROBISON
HATCHET REPORTER

I was a little cynical about my new assignment on palm reading. "You'll have so much fun!" my roommate exclaimed. Fun was not my reaction. Skepticism was more like it.

Being a dutiful reporter, I called an astrologer/palm reader and made an appointment. "Let me know if she's good. I might try her if she is," my roommate said as she went out the door.

Good? How was I supposed to know if she's good? Would she have a resume? Would she have statistics on her own accuracy?

Before the appointed time, address and tape recorder in hand, I left in search of my fortune and fortune teller's office. It was much further away than I expected, which gave me more time to get nervous. I already had my doubts. I didn't know what to expect. Would she expect me to get into it? Would I have to close my eyes and hold hands around a crystal ball?

The building looked like all of those cheesy palm reading places I have seen before, with red signs with stars all over it. I had always wondered why anybody would waste their money on astrology. I looked around me. The street was full of people. They all looked at me standing in front of the gaudy palm reading building. Embarrassed, and feeling ridiculous, I walked in.

There were toys on the floor, which I found reassuring, as if, for some reason, toys would prevent hand-holding around the crystal ball. I walked up the stairs as I had been told to on the phone beforehand.

A lady wearing jeans and a T-shirt was cooking in the kitchen. Her little boy, who was naked, came up to me and asked, "Are you going to have your cards

read?" Before I recovered from my shock, the woman came over and led me into her living room.

After we sat down, she held out her hand. I didn't know what to do. Should I hold out my hand, too? If so, which one should I hold out? Finally, I just stuck out my right hand.

She immediately began talking. "You have a very long life line ..." I successfully fought the urge to roll my eyes. "A life line leading until 82 years old." Big whoop, my great-grandmother is 90.

"Shows you to be very frank, very friendly." I'm a nice person, but terribly shy.

"You were born to be lucky ..." I could accept that. "... But I do sense some insecurity around you." Maybe because I'm in a stranger's house having my palm read, while a naked little boy is running around.

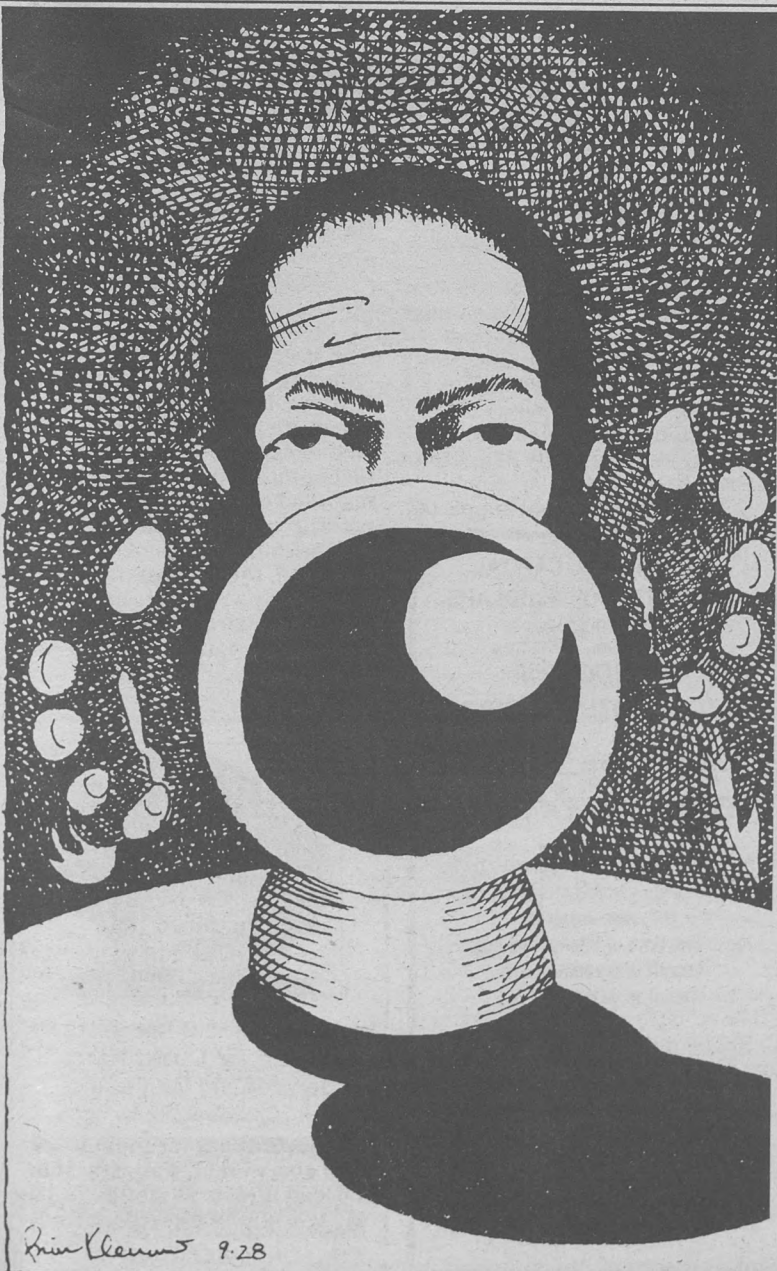
"Shows your life to have one marriage ..." Well, that's good, unless it only lasts two days in Vegas and I spend the rest of my life alone. "... Two children," I wanted four children, really. Five was OK, but two? Maybe I could adopt more, or better yet, maybe she didn't know what she was talking about.

"You haven't met the right person yet ..." You mean my ex-boyfriend from my junior year in high school who shaved his head while on an acid trip this summer is not my destined mate for life? I'm so devastated. "... But you

will meet him this year." Attention Mr. Right: I'm currently living in Thurston Hall, room 937, and am interested in writing, '80s music and watching the sunset. I am also looking for a long-term relationship (see above prediction).

"Keep your secrets to yourself, it shows some gossip going around you ..." Guess I had better not tell anyone I'm really a space alien distantly related to Alf. "Your energy level is very high ..." Yup, I just ate a candy bar. "Whatever you put your mind to is going to work out for you." I might actually get a refrigerator in my dorm room, if I just make that phone call.

And that was it. Three minutes for five bucks and I didn't even get to hold hands around a crystal ball.



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Zoning should not restrict religious practice, judge says

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separate zoning permit to operate the kitchen in the church after it moved from H Street.

Church leaders argued that the feeding program did not need a separate permit because operating Miriam's is a part of the church's duties. District officials argued in April that the feeding program was not essential to the faith or a part of the church's mission.

Sporkin said Miriam's is "a form of worship akin to prayer."

He had given Miriam's a temporary injunction against any District interference April 19. District attorneys, who said the court had no jurisdiction in this matter, had planned to appeal that decision.

Sporkin said the church will be allowed to operate Miriam's as

long as the program does not create any nuisances. Wimberly has often said that if the program creates problems it would be shut down.

Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner Sarah Maddux said Foggy Bottom residents opposed to the decision are informally working together to document instances of trouble.

"We are very distressed and very upset," Maddux said.

Some community opponents have said the recent attack of Miriam's director by a homeless man at the kitchen is reason enough to close the kitchen.

Anna Proctor, who was beaten by a homeless man this summer, will return to Miriam's on Monday. Jeff Rickert, Miriam's acting director, said.

Health center decision delayed until November

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the church, said the new center would "overwhelm" the church and its modest design. She added that the building "doesn't even make sense." Both sides agreed it will probably only meet half of the demand of the growing student body.

The Health and Wellness Center - which would house squash and racquetball courts, a weight-training facility, basketball courts, a fitness center, a running track, a health clinic and a small pharmacy - was scheduled to be completed by August 1996. The University estimated that the project will cost more than \$21 million. A mandatory fee has already been deducted from students' bills to pay for it.

Chris Lamb, president of the Foggy Bottom Association and an ANC commissioner, charged the University with disregarding the Campus Plan and the pledges it had made in 1986 to keep "high-usage" buildings in the center of campus.

He also pointed out that the University had committed itself in 1986 to expand its athletic facilities on the same square of land as the Smith Center - between F, G, 22nd and 23rd streets.

"(The proposed facility) is an inappropriate use and size ... in relation to a neighboring historical landmark," Lamb said.

Wayne Quinn, the lawyer representing GW at the hearing, rebutted that the Campus Plan does specifically allow the University to build athletic areas on the periphery of campus. He also said the new center is expected to have only about 2,000 daily visitors, while Gelman Library and the Marvin Center attract more than 5,000 daily visitors.

Both McCarthy and Lamb called for a need to re-evaluate the current Campus Plan, which several ANC commissioners have said doesn't fairly protect the interests of the Foggy Bottom residents.

Another point of contention between the feuding sides was over the supposed lack of light the church would receive in the Health and Wellness Center's shadow.

According to Robert Rivers, a lighting consultant testifying for St.

Mary's Church, the center would cast a shadow over the church for the majority of the year, and the "overall enjoyment" of its tainted glass windows and garden courtyard would be "severely" compromised.

However, George Sexton, a lighting and design expert testifying for GW, said he determined through experiments using computer analysis and light detectors that the natural light reaching the church would remain "very good."

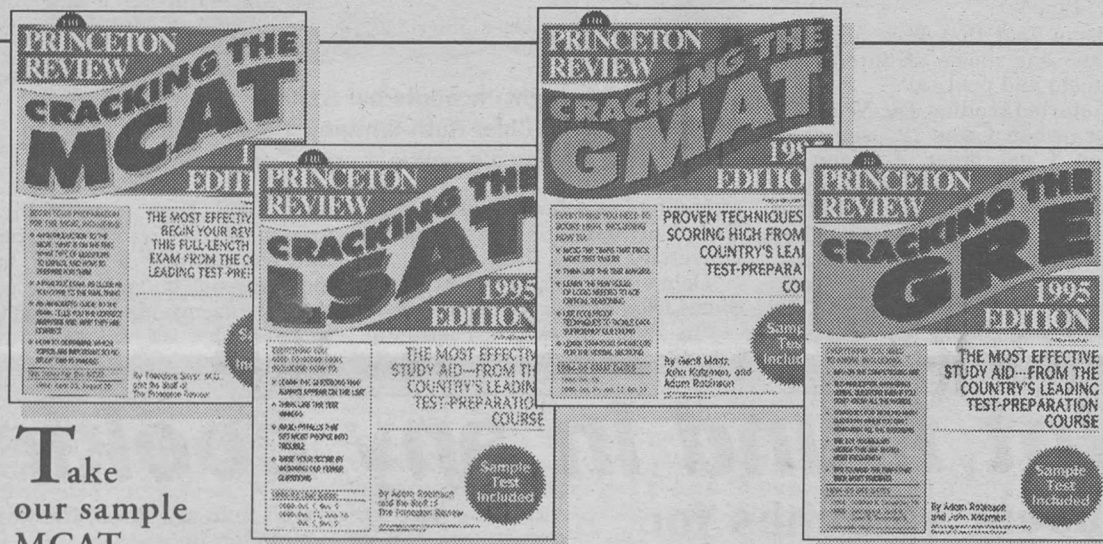
He said the church would receive only slightly less light than it did over 25 years ago, when it sat beside a 30-foot building.

Quinn said in his closing remarks that he believes the University has prepared a satisfactory solution to the problems addressed by the ANC and St. Mary's Church.

"It's a reasonable use of the property because it suits the need of the University to provide athletics to the students," he added.

However, Richard Nettler, a representative of the church and GW graduate, said that he has doubts as to whether the facility was intended for use by the students or to make money for the University by catering to the desires of the alumni.

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University of Pittsburgh freshmen surveyed

(CPS) PITTSBURGH - Officials at the University of Pittsburgh were able to get a good idea of the values and opinions of their freshman class, thanks to an informal survey taken during the opening week of school.

University of Pittsburgh freshmen proved that college-age thinkers are hard to classify, as the new students' opinions proved to be quite diverse.

Among the survey's results:

- More than 60 percent of the students surveyed said they felt that the mother should be the primary caregiver in a family. Thirty-one percent said that moms and dads should share the responsibility, while less than 2 percent said the father should have the primary role.
- Nearly 75 percent of the men and 88 percent of the women said that women should be allowed to serve in combat roles in the armed forces.
- While two-thirds of the women think there is too much violence on television, only 37 percent of the men share that opinion.
- Forty-three percent supported

the legislation of marijuana.

• Capital punishment is supported by 78 percent of the students.

• Sixty percent of freshmen oppose government-imposed ratings on musical recordings.

Michigan students get paid to eat

(CPS) ANN ARBOR, Mich. - Whether you're a sworn meat-eater, a strict vegetarian or one of those grapefruit juice-drinking dieters, researchers at the University of Michigan Medical Center have a deal for you.

As part of an intense, three-phase nutritional study, medical center officials are paying \$1,000 a week to subjects who have to do little more than sit around for seven days and eat what they are given.

UM doctors hope to discover how a person's diet can enhance his or her health.

Participating subjects are admitted to the UM Medical Center for one week at a time, during which they will adhere to a specific diet plan, ranging from vegetarian meals to burgers for breakfast. And one group of students get nothing but grapefruit juice.

The study is looking at the effects of these three food groups on the body's ability to defend itself against environmental contaminants, known as carcinogens.

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Africa Cold War pawn, Randall Robinson says

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The United States supplied arms to these nations in the last decade because they were non-communist, Robinson claimed.

He said, for instance, that the United States provided \$200 million worth of weapons to Somalia from 1977 to 1989.

"The clans took up the arms we gave them to finish the destruction," he said. "What happened to Somalia? We happened to Somalia."

The U.S. and Soviet Union used Third World nations as "pawns in the chessboard that was the Cold War," Robinson said, explaining U.S. foreign policy was driven by two initiatives: Soviet containment and race.

"We are distorted in our attitudes by old biases," Robinson said of Americans. He blamed racism for the apathetic view many have of the situation in Haiti, as well as for the strict refugee policy set forth by the U.S. government.

"Haitians are the second most productive immigrants in the country next to Koreans. Anyone in Florida can tell you that," he said.

Robinson said the United States has an obligation to protect Haiti. "Democracy must be vigorously nourished," he said. "If we

don't see Haiti through her crisis, what kind of signal will it send to North Korea or China?"

He said to completely resolve the situation in Haiti, Lt. Gen. Raoul Cedras, the military dictator who now holds power, must leave the country.

"(Former President) Carter negotiated a fundamentally unworkable agreement," he said.

He also said Haiti's military force must be reduced to eliminate the danger of a future coup. "Haiti has no need for an army," he said.

"The army is just the Tonton Macoute in different uniforms," he continued, referring to the forces which terrorized Haiti under the regimes of the Duvaliers.

Robinson also spoke of his personal struggle to help Haiti. He went on a hunger strike last spring to protest the Clinton administration's strict policy on Haitian refugees. The policy left thousands of Haitians stranded at the naval base on Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

His strike lasted almost a month before Clinton met with him and promised to give more assistance to refugees.

"People can make a difference when they raise enough collective hell," Robinson said. "You don't always win when you fight, but you always lose when you don't."

Dominos fights 'freshman 15' with special pizza incentive offer

BY ERICH ZIMMERMANN
HATCHET REPORTER

All incoming students hear of the dreaded "freshman 15" in anticipation of their freshman year — the 15 pounds freshmen always seem to gain because of an increased intake of fatty, greasy food.

Dominos Pizza hopes to help freshmen stay healthy and avoid the freshman 15 with a program called "Staying Slim with Pizza."

The program, the brainchild of Frank Meeks, owner of a large number of Dominos franchises, will be run in only three cities: Washington, D.C., New York and Ann Arbor, Mich.

The rules are simple. Freshmen must bring proof of their year to the nearest Dominos. The first trip is easy. Just for getting weighed, the student will receive a free thin crust vegetable pizza.

Then it gets a bit tougher.

Every month after that through the end of the semester, any student who maintains or loses weight

will receive another free pizza. Weighing in at even one pound over their original weight disqualifies students from receiving a pizza for that month.

Meeks said he hopes the free pizza incentive will encourage students to watch what they eat and work to maintain their weight.

"I went to college, I know how easy it is to put on those pounds during the first few months," he said. "I know that I can't force college students to eat well, but I can help them learn to be healthy for the rest of their lives."

One freshman said she likes the idea. "It is definitely a good incentive to take more notice of what I am eating. It is too easy not to consider what I am eating, and how unhealthy it might be," Nicole Kolodny said.

Weighing in at Domino's at 1012 20th St. N.W. could mean three months of free pizza and a slimmer waistline.

At the very least, it saves you a night in the Thurston cafeteria, and leaves you the entire second semester to gain those 15 pounds.

GW solar car paces United Way 10k race

Sunforce 1, GW's solar car, will pace its opponents in Sunday's United Way 10K Race.

The solar car, along with an electric car provided by the Potomac Electric and Power Company, will lead runners around

the Tidal Basin and through East Potomac Park.

The United Way race has raised money for the United Way of the National Capital Area for 15 years.

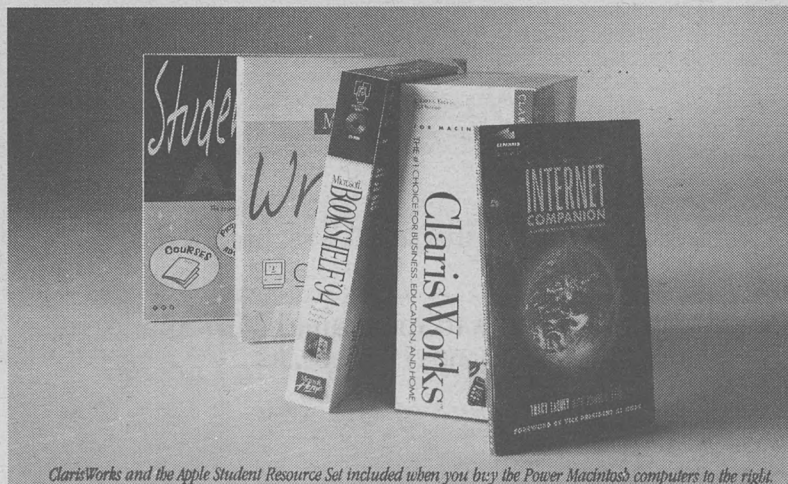
GW students designed and built Sunforce 1. The solar car made

strong showings in Sunrayce '93 and the World Solar Challenge in Australia. GW's team is now working on a new car, with plans for added aerodynamics and efficiency, to race in Sunrayce '95.

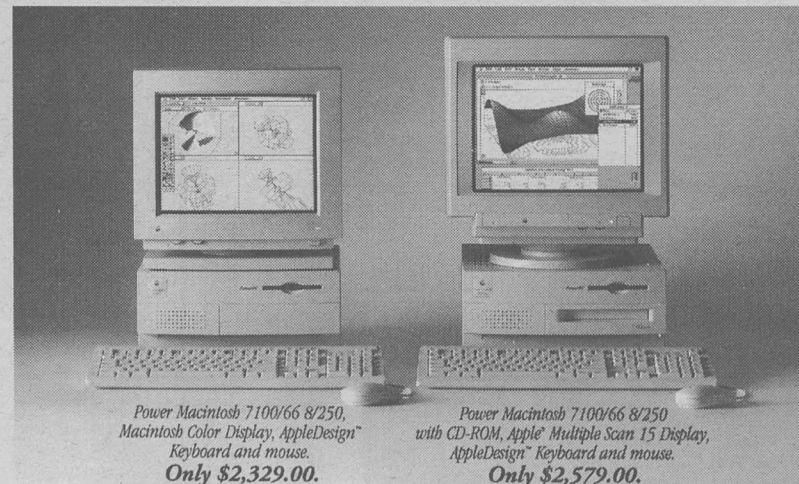
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J Street takes precautions against fire

BY AMY BETH SCHNEIDER
HATCHET REPORTER

Two recent grease fires at J Street have prompted dining services administrators to take extra precautions in the food court.

The Foggy Bottom Diner's grill has been closed since Sept. 26 because of a concern about recurring fires.

"We are not going to open back up until we get a definite answer," Food Services Director Tom Morgan said.

Both fires have occurred in the Foggy Bottom Diner since J Street

opened on Aug. 22. The fire department was called on both occasions, but the first fire was put out with an extinguisher the first weekend J Street was open, Morgan said.

The second fire occurred Sept. 19. The fire alarm was pulled because the fire was contained when employees tried to put it out three times with a fire extinguisher, Morgan explained.

No injuries or damages have been reported, Dining Services General Manager George Cushman said. He said dining services is taking steps to determine

the cause of the fires and a solution to the problem.

The second fire prompted a complete inspection, which the health department conducted the next morning. J Street received a score of 92 percent, said Richard Fiegel, D.C. Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs program manager.

An equipment representative examined the charbroiler and concluded that dining services operated and cleaned the machinery correctly and that grease accumulation was not the problem, Cushman said.

"The sheer volume of product going through it is making it flare up," he said. "It is not from a grease buildup because the unit is taken down every night, cleaned and reassembled."

The work area was also studied to see if it is too small for the amount of food that is prepared. The area was designed to make efficient use of a small space and was deemed to be an acceptable amount of room to operate the equipment, Cushman said.

He also said all of the grill workers were trained before J Street opened and have been

observed by the equipment manufacturer.

Morgan said the grill will be monitored closely in the next weeks to prevent another incident. One danger of the grill is secondary flame often emitted from the burners. The flame is not necessarily firestarting, but it is a hazard, he said.

"Both of the fires were secondary fires, which means that they start slow and are easily contained," Morgan added.

"This is our biggest concern down there right now. If it was at a point where there was any danger to the people we would stop operating," Cushman said.

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New study abroad options to England and Israel

BY SHANNON JOYCE
HATCHET REPORTER

GW's study abroad office will offer several new programs in England and Israel this year.

Brenda Elliot of the Study Abroad Office said in addition to the current program, GW now has university exchanges with Richmond College in London, University of Sussex in Brighton, England, and Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

The Study Abroad Office also is in the process of finalizing an agreement with Hertz Institute in St. Petersburg to give students the opportunity to study in Russia, Elliot said.

Students may choose either a year or semester program and may use their financial aid to help defray the cost, Elliot added.

Unlike in other programs, the students who go to Israel and Russia are not required to speak their host country's language. However, students can study the language while in either country, she said.

Most programs require a 3.0 grade point average and the student must be in good academic standing, Elliot said. Students must fill out an application, complete an essay and have faculty references to be considered for the programs.

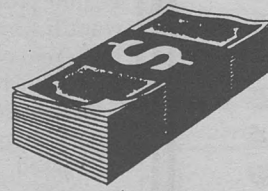
Elliot encouraged students to study abroad and said she feels "students come back finding they've changed."

She added that she feels students often develop different views not only about their host country, but about the United States as well.

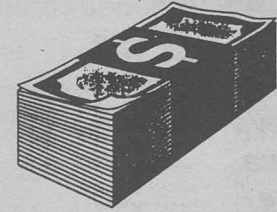
Only about 4 percent of students participate in study abroad programs. Elliot said employers and graduate schools often look favorably upon the experience, noting the student's ability to assimilate into different environments.

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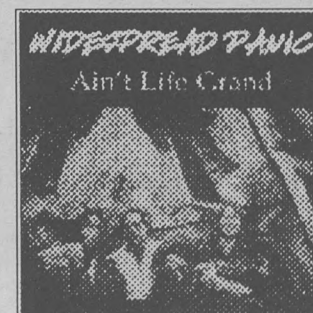
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Roommates can spread depression

Roommates and Depression

(CPS) GALVESTON, Texas — Feeling run-down? Weepy? Don't want to get out of bed in the morning? You may have caught a bug from your roommate: depression.

Depressed students can make their roommates feel more depressed, according to a study recently conducted by Dr. Thomas E. Joiner of the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. Results of the study appeared recently in the Journal of Personality and Social Psychology.

If the roommates are the types who crave constant reassurance, the study said, then they were more likely to catch the blues.

Nearly 100 pairs of roommates—male and female, those who picked each other and those thrown

together by lottery — were examined.

Students from an introductory psychology class and their same-sex roommates filled out questionnaires about their personal views, feelings and attitudes of school, work and friends. Three weeks later, they filled out the surveys again.

The tests measured depression, anxiety, stress and the need for reassurance.

When the results were compared, roommates of psychology class students showing mild signs of depression, such as sadness, tiredness, irritability and lack of motivation, had become more depressed over the three weeks. The change occurred no matter how much depression they exhibited on the first survey or what had

happened to them during that time.

The study's results coincides with another study that found people who repeatedly need to be told that they're OK tend to be depressive.

Smoking and Depression

(CPS) CARBONDALE, Ill. — Depressed people may smoke, in part, to relieve their depression, a Southern Illinois University professor said.

David G. Gilbert, a professor of psychology and nationally recognized expert on smoking, said some people may find it harder to quit smoking because nicotine affects them like an anti-depressant.

Gilbert, who heads the smoking and psychophysiology laboratory at Southern Illinois, said his studies indicate that nicotine normalizes activity in the right side of the brain where negative moods and depression seem to originate.

When depression-prone people quit smoking they lose the lift that nicotine gives them, which their own bodies can't produce, Gilbert theorized. After withdrawal, they return to a "normal" state that is more depressed than other ex-smokers. That puts them at a greater risk for relapse, he said.

Gilbert is testing his hypotheses in a five-year study of 120 female smokers funded by a \$1 million grant from the National Institute for Drug Abuse. After completing the study, which is in its second year, Gilbert will compare the data with results from a smaller NIDA-funded investigation of male smokers he conducted a few years ago.

In particular, the data will enable Gilbert to examine gender differences in smoking. "Some of the literature suggests that females may smoke more to reduce tension and depression, while men seem to do it to improve concentration and alertness," he said.

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Oct. 1 vs. Alabama A&M
2 p.m. at the RFK Auxiliary Field

Colonial Women bury Hoyas under the wrath of Vtyurina

By JARED SHER
ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

GW's destruction of Georgetown University in volleyball Wednesday night is another example of markedly changed times.

After dismantling the Hoyas in straight sets at the Smith Center, the Colonial Women left no doubt they were the superior volleyball squad. GW spiked, drove and dug its record to 12-2 in convincing fashion (15-5, 15-13, 15-3).

The win, the Colonial Women's 10th straight overall, was a display of offensive prowess from the moment the teams stepped on the court. In the end, GW came away with its 18th consecutive victory on the home court.

"We never talk about winning 'x' amount of matches in a row, but we always discuss that this is our court and we win on our court,"

head coach Susie Homan said. "We talk about what we need to do when we are on our court."

The match was, in all respects, an offensive display. The Colonial Women hit a remarkable .412, with 54 kills in the three sets. Svetlana Vtyurina led the way once again, with 20 kills and a .548 hitting percentage. Vtyurina was in command at the net throughout the match.

After flying out to a 9-1 lead in game 1, GW began to show signs of relaxing. With some sloppy passing and miss-hitting, Georgetown tried to claw its way back into it. The Hoyas cut the lead to 11-5, and poor serving allowed the score to remain steady. Liu Li slammed home a kill.

Serving for game point, Liu sliced an ace through the reception line to secure the win.

Georgetown regrouped before game 2 and came out playing well, taking a 3-1 lead. GW responded behind Vtyurina and Jill Lammert, whose service ace gave the Colonial Women their first lead. The teams traded points until the Colonial Women gained the upper hand late, striking for three quick points and a 13-10 lead.

The Hoyas rallied to stay alive, reeling off three straight points following a service ace of their own.

Georgetown was poised to steal the game and the momentum when Liu took control for GW. She crushed a huge kill for a sideout

and followed with an unassisted kill to save the set for the Colonial Women.

"The last two points, I wanted the setter to set to me and she did," Liu said. "That ball was very important."

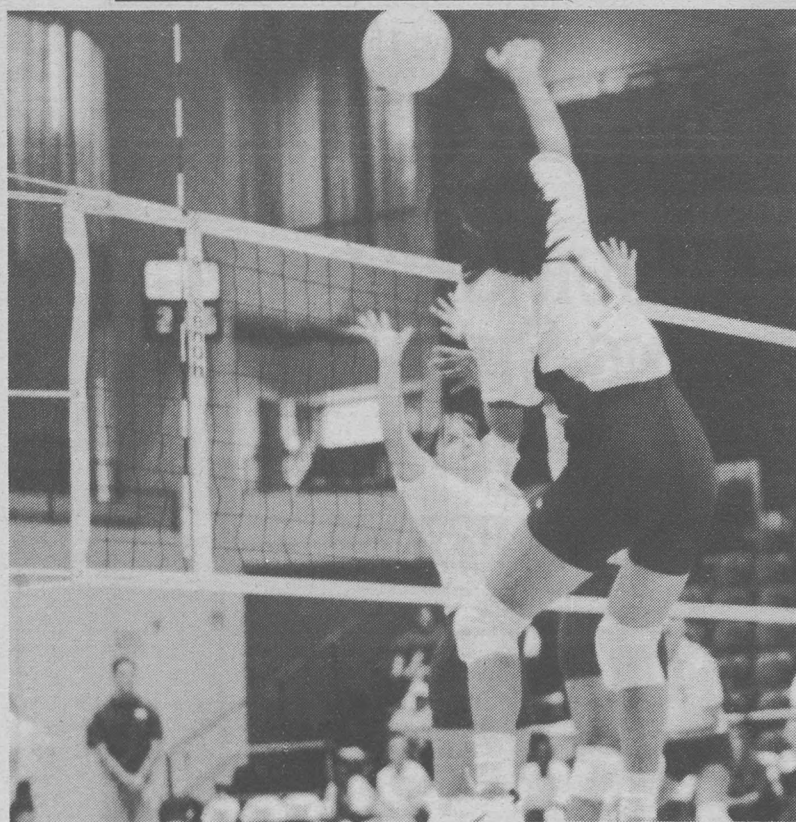
By the time the third game rolled around, the Hoyas were clearly worn out. GW dominated the net, jumping ahead 7-1. Georgetown never recovered. The Colonial Women had just one attack error and hit .643 in the final set.

GW kept the Hoyas off balance the entire match, mixing power and finesse on the front lines. Kate Haubenreich had 44 assists, but the most effective offense came from unassisted kills. These quick blasts surprised the

defense and allowed the Colonial Women to maintain control. Fittingly, it was Haubenreich who landed the kill on match point, unassisted.

"We played great in the third game. We have the ability to dominate teams and we need to take advantage of that when we have the opportunity," Homan said. "(The first and second games) we were in a situation where we were just going through the motions. It was like a roller coaster."

GW hits the road this weekend following its six-game homestand, traveling to Temple to resume the Atlantic 10 season against its top conference rival Friday. The Colonial Women close out the weekend against Rutgers Saturday.



photos by Claire Duggan and Tyson Trish

Svetlana Vtyurina (below) clears the net for one of her kills. Above, Liu Li (#1) crushes a ball against James Madison. The two spikers led GW to victory over arch-rival Georgetown Wednesday.

**Colonials battle down to wire for 2nd victory of tough season**

By SCOTT STONE
HATCHET SPORTS REPORTER

The GW men's soccer team got its second win Wednesday with a 4-3 victory over crosstown rival Howard University. The game, played at RFK Auxiliary Field, ended regulation tied 3-3. Marcelo Valencia scored in overtime to give the Colonials the win.

At 9:53, the Colonials' duo of Valencia and Stephen Masten connected for the first goal. Masten streaked down the field awaiting Valencia's pass and blasted the ball into the net.

Howard's first goal came off a GW penalty, setting up defender Shannon Burgess with a direct kick. Burgess' bullet at 25:58 tied the game at 1-1. In the 27th minute, Burgess eyed John Delgado perched in front of the goal and dropped a pass for him. Delgado easily tapped it in, giving Howard a 2-1 lead at half-time.

The Colonials tied the score when Valencia was set up with a free kick at 57:34. With remote control precision, Valencia curved the ball between the Bison goalkeeper and the goal post.

"Marcelo's free kick was a brilliant goal in any stan-

dard of play," head coach George Lidster later said about the shot.

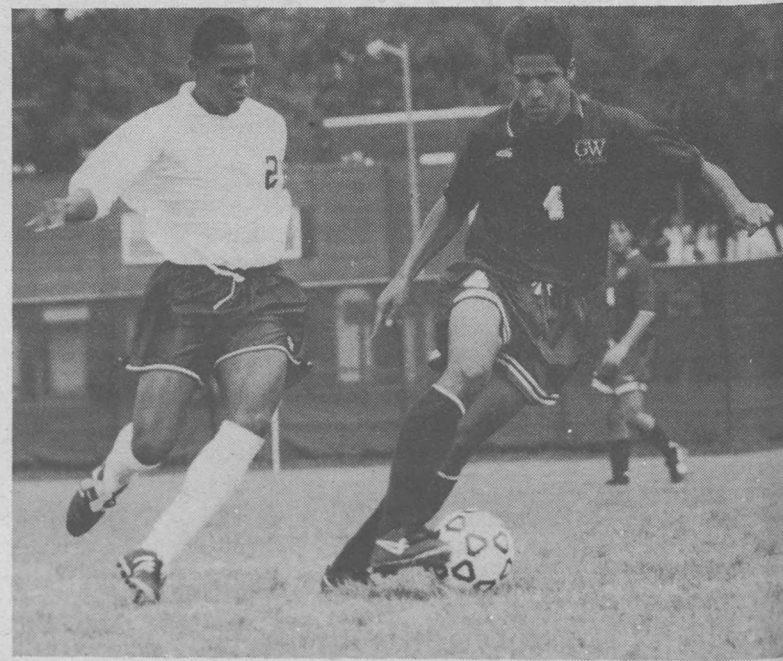
Masten and Valencia appeared to replay their earlier goal to give the Colonials a 3-2 lead. Valencia tightened down the right side line, waiting for Masten to get free of his defenders.

From out of a blizzard of players in front of the goal, Masten finally appeared on the left sideline, taking Valencia's cross pass in for a goal.

The Bison tied the game one more time at 72:35, when Delgado's wild shot got loose from goalkeeper Ward McIntyre. Howard's Keimon Lawrence finally gained control of the ball and dropped it in for a score.

In the 100th minute Valencia broke away downfield for a one-on-one opportunity. Howard goalkeeper Jevaughn Sterling charged the ball and blocked Valencia's shot. Masten came flying in from the Colonial backfield and passed the ricochet ball back to Valencia. With an open net, Valencia blasted the ball for a goal, giving the Colonial's the lead for good.

"Any win in the condition that the team is in is a great win," Lidster said. "We are in dire straits, we have no subs and the players we do have are getting hurt."



Van Martin (#4) works his way downfield against Howard University in the Colonials' second win of the season.

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Colonials offer new reason for cable TV

By JARED SHER
 ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

Perhaps the most ardent supporters of cable in the residence halls should be Colonial basketball fans. After all, GW is going to be clogging the airwaves of national television this season.

The Colonial men and women will appear at least 14 times on cable television — ESPN, ESPN2 and Prime Network — in the upcoming year. In addition, the school is now negotiating to add more games on local television, said Bill Fitzgerald, director of sports marketing and promotions.

The Colonials also will be part of a history-making event on television this season. In February, the men will make their fourth straight ESPN appearance on President's Day. However, this year, the game will be part of a doubleheader with the women. GW games will be on back-to-back from 1:30 to 6 p.m., a feat Fitzgerald believes no college has ever accomplished.

"I think it's a great tribute to the players that they've had the success they have and that there is a national audience station that wants to put us on," Athletic Director Jack Kvanetz said. "We are on the escalator in terms of exposure. We're going to hit a lot of homes this year."

ESPN reaches about 65 million homes, while another 38 million have access to Prime Network. This vast audience will see the Colonials in action more than ever. In fact, GW will face Syracuse University in the first game televised by ESPN this season in the preseason NIT tournament. This opening game traditionally has been a welcome back game for college basketball fans across the country.

"You only get on ESPN if you win, so that means the program has been successful," men's head coach Mike Jarvis said. "It's all synonymous with winning."

The national television exposure also creates a cycle that inevitably helps the basketball programs. The more appearances on television, the more potential recruits will consider GW.

"(Recruiting) is directly correlated with the amount of exposure," Jarvis said. "It helps recognition and visibility. More and more people will know GW."

The ESPN season continues with a contest at Duke University Dec. 6, a matchup made possible by the network coverage. Without ESPN, GW may have had to wait three or four years before negotiating a contract to play a school with Duke's prominence, Kvanetz said. With ESPN in the picture, they were able to get it done now.

"As our program has developed, we've opened up more opportunities," Kvanetz said. "That's all part of the success we've had."

Gone from the field but not from the classroom

(CPS) — Now it's official. For the first time since 1904, there will be no World Series.

Roger Maris' homerun record is safe, Tony Gwynn must put aside his quest for the game's first .400 batting average since that of Ted Williams, and the Cleveland Indians have to forego their chance at a berth in post-season play, potentially their first since 1954.

But even though Major League Baseball's strike-plagued season was canceled Sept. 14, talk of the national pastime is still alive among students at colleges across the country.

In fact, they're debating the strike now more than ever — and it's not on local sports talk radio stations or in the residence halls. Instead, it's in economics classrooms, where professional sports is more than part of the conversation before the class begins; it's the main subject.

Increasingly, advanced economics classes that focus on professional sports have sprouted up across the nation, and this year, the baseball strike is the No. 1 topic.

For most, a 300-level economics

class is the stuff of which theoretical nightmares are made. Professor Bill Baird, who teaches the subject at the College of Wooster, admits that the material can be pretty mundane. But for students in his Economics 390 class, "The Economics of Professional Team Sports," the subject matter is anything but boring.

"We can take a theory that students often believe is arcane and show them that it can be used to help them understand things that they are interested in," Baird said. "The attention level in the class is high even though we've been discussing some pretty heavy economic theory. The topic is definitely something that they're curious about."

The curiosity stems from a common interest, said Joe Grubestic, one of Baird's students.

"You look at the whole thing from a different perspective when you're a student of economics instead of just a fan and vice versa," says Grubestic, a 21-year-old junior. "I've always been a big follower of sports, and this class helps me see some issues in a completely different way."

1994-95 Colonial Basketball Schedules

Men's

DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
NOV 11	TURKISH JR. NATIONAL TEAM (Exhibition) #	8 p.m.
16-25	Preseason NIT	
16	at Syracuse (NIT/1st round)	7:30 p.m.
27	COURT AUTHORITY	1 p.m.
DEC 2-	RED AUERBACH	5:30/7:30 p.m.
3	COLONIAL CLASSIC	
6	at Duke	7:30 p.m.
11	at Richmond	2 p.m.
27-	at Far West Classic	
28	(Portland, Ore.)	
JAN 3	AMERICAN	7:30 p.m.
5	ST. BONAVENTURE*	7:30 p.m.
7	at UNC-Charlotte	7:35 p.m.
10	RHODE ISLAND*	7:35 p.m.
12	at St. Joseph's*	7:05 p.m.
14	WEST VIRGINIA*	12 p.m.
19	at Temple*	7 p.m.
22	DUQUESNE*	4:30 p.m.
24	at Rhode Island*	7:30 p.m.
26	ST. JOSEPH'S*	7:30 p.m.
30	at West Virginia*	7:30 p.m.
FEB 4	MASSACHUSETTS*	12 p.m.
7	at St. Bonaventure*	7:35 p.m.
11	RUTGERS	2 p.m.
14	at Massachusetts*	7 p.m.
18	XAVIER	3 p.m.
20	JAMES MADISON	3 p.m.
24	at Duquesne*	8 p.m.
26	TEMPLE*	4:30 p.m.
28	at Rutgers*	8 p.m.
MAR 4-6	Atlantic 10 Conference Tournament (at The Palestra, Philadelphia, Pa.)	

* denotes A-10 conference game

Women's

DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
NOV 11	ITALIAN NATIONAL TEAM	6 p.m.
DEC 2-	at Tulane Classic	
3	(New Orleans, LA)	
7	GEORGETOWN	7 p.m.
9-10	GW INVITATIONAL	
21-	at Showboat Shootout	
22	(Las Vegas, NV)	
29	SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE	7 p.m.
JAN 4	DUQUESNE*	7 p.m.
7	RUTGERS*	2 p.m.
10	at St. Joseph's*	7:05 p.m.
15	MASSACHUSETTS*	2 p.m.
17	PENN STATE	7 p.m.
22	at Rutgers*	2 p.m.
26	at West Virginia*	7 p.m.
28	at St. Bonaventure*	2 p.m.
FEB 2	RHODE ISLAND*	7 p.m.
4	TEMPLE*	2 p.m.
7	at Vanderbilt	7 p.m.
11	at Massachusetts*	2 p.m.
13	at Rhode Island*	7 p.m.
18	WEST VIRGINIA*	1 p.m.
20	ST. JOSEPH'S*	1:30 p.m.
25	ST. BONAVENTURE*	2 p.m.
28	at Temple*	7 p.m.
MAR 2	at Duquesne*	7 p.m.
8-11	Atlantic 10 Championship (at St. Joseph's)	

* denotes A-10 conference game

SPORTS BRIEFS

GW golf continues hot streak

Led by English golf extraordinaire James Taylor, the Colonials won the 20-team Franklin and Marshall Tournament in Fox Chase, Pa. Their score of 305 edged out the runner-up, Ramapo College of New Jersey, by six points, and tied the GW school record for all-time lowest score.

GW dominated the links, capturing the top two medal placings. Taylor won the tournament with a 69, which head coach Keith Betts said he believed was an individual school record. The par for the course was 72.

GW's Scott Lutz finished second with a score of 75. Betts emphasized that Taylor is a big part of the Colonials' recent successes but definitely not the sole reason for it.

"We've had four different low scores from four different individuals, that's one way this is a team sport," he said. "If all your teammates don't play well, than someone playing well motivates everyone."

Trenton State University placed third with a score of 316.

Although the team has progressed a long way, Betts said the best is yet to come, especially if he can get all his players to play well on the same day.

Volleyball ranks in regional poll

The GW volleyball team (12-2) is ranked ninth in the NCAA Division I Midwest Region, according to the first poll of the season released Sept. 26. It marks the team's highest ranking in the 19-year history of the program.

The poll is voted on by an eight-member committee of head volleyball coaches and athletic directors throughout the region. Head coach Susie Homan is one of the members of the committee, so her opin-

ion of the poll is mixed.

"We're happy with the ranking, but it's only going to push us to get higher," she said. "Because I'm on the committee, I know how the system works and how hard it is to rank people. It's so incredibly political."

The midwest region, the biggest of the four regions, is made up of 121 teams from 14 different conferences including the Big Ten and Big Eight. Nebraska earned the No. 1 ranking, followed by Ohio State, Penn State, Notre Dame, Colorado, Wisconsin, Iowa and Iowa State.

"Our region has such amazing reach," Homan said. "The dilemma we face is that we don't have a lot of cross-play (within it), so Penn State and Nebraska just get ranked higher. We feel that the way we played in the first weeks of September was better than those teams ranked higher than us."

Women chart new territory in rankings

For the first time in the 14-year history of the Colonial Women's soccer program, the team (6-2 overall, 1-0 in the Atlantic 10) has achieved a national ranking, placing 18th in the country.

"Obviously, we're excited about the ranking," said head coach Shannon Higgins-Cirovski, who has energized the program in her four years at GW. "But it leaves us with the challenge to keep it."

On their way into the top 20, the Colonial Women unseated then 15th-ranked Maryland 2-0, blanked Xavier 3-0 and outlasted Ohio State 1-0, all on the road.

Equestrian team rides high at horse show

The GW equestrian intercollegiate team, in its second year of competition, hosted a 12-team horse show Sept. 18 in Chevy

Chase, Md., and tied for fourth overall with Mary Washington College. The University of Virginia placed first at the meet, followed by Sweet Briar and Randolph-Macon colleges.

Other schools riding at the show were the College of William and Mary, Towson State and the University of Maryland.

Individual riders, competing in nine divisions, earn points which are totaled toward the team's final result.

Senior Amy Sullivan, riding in the novice division, finished first over fences and second on flat (a walk-trot-canter class). Meredith Bazaar, the team's president and founder, finished first on flat and third over fences competing in the open class.

Grayson Moore finished third on flat in the walk-trot class and Katie Wilson placed fourth on flat in the advanced walk-trot-canter class.

Bus offers free rides to home soccer games

Starting Oct. 1, the GW double-decker bus will offer free rides to the Colonial soccer teams' home matches at the RFK Auxiliary Field.

Because of scheduling, the bus will not be available on Sundays and it will not offer return trips.

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Crew hosts only home meet of 1994 on Potomac

The Colonial rowers will enjoy their only fall '94 meet in friendly waters Oct. 1 in the Head of the Potomac. The race is rowed against the clock.

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